based in Andhra Pradesh also. These discussions are held in meetings formally convened as well as in informal discussions between various officials at different levels. It will there fore not be possible to provide the dates of all such meetings/discussion.

(c) SCICI has no powers to seize any deep sea fishing vessel. The authority to possess such fishing vessels vests with the Receiver, if appointed by the Government of India in respect of a particular vessel, under the powers conferred on him in terms of the SDEC Abolition Act, 1986

(d) to (f) Do not arise.

Manufacturing of cheese, butter and flavoured milk

1737. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently decided to manufacture cheese, butter and flavoured milk at every block office head quarter;

(b) if so, by when the above scheme is likely to be implemented;

(c) whether any registration of farmer to supply milk for the above manufacturing have started; and

(d) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Committee regarding deep sea fishing

1738. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister if FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to appoint an inter-ministerial Committee on deep sea fishing;

(b) if so what are the terms of reference of the Commitee and by when it is proposed to be set up;

(c) what are the terms of reference of the Empowered Committee of Secretariat on the subject; and

(d) whether the Empowered Commitee has started functioning and by when the report of the two committees are expected to be received by Governmen?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b): Government has appointed a Technical Committee to look into the problems of the silk deep sea fishing industry. The terms of reference of this Committee are furnished in the attached statement—I. (See below)

(c) Information is furnished in the attached statement—II (See below).

(d) While the Technical Committee is expected to submit the report with in three months, the Empowered Committee of Secretaries on Deep Sea Fishing is a statutory body to examine and clear project proposals in deep sea fishing, processing etc. No report is required to be submitted by the Empowered Committee.

Statement—I

The terms of reference for the Technical Committee are as follows:—

1. to assess the factors which have contributed to the sickness of the deep sea fihing industry in India.

2. to identify the problems being faced by the existing indigenously owned fishing fleet, specially the sick units, which makes investment in this Sector less attractive.

3. to assess the implementation of the rehabilitation package announced by the Government of India in April, 1991/June, 1992.